

Farm Numbers, Cash Rents and Land Values: Louisiana, 2003-2006

Item	Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006
Farms	Number	27,200	27,000	26,800	26,800
Land in Farms	Acres	7,850,000	7,850,000	7,800,000	7,800,000
Average Size of Farm	Acres	289	291	291	291
Cash Rent for Irrigated Cropland	Dollars/Acre	68.00	76.00	70.00	81.00
Cash Rent for Non-Irrigated Cropland	Dollars/Acre	59.00	62.00	62.00	66.00
Cash Rent for Pasture	Dollars/Acre	15.00	15.50	16.50	19.00
Land Value for Irrigated Cropland	Dollars/Acre	1,070.00	1,150.00	1,360.00	1,410.00
Land Value for Non-Irrigated Cropland	Dollars/Acre	1,280.00	1,340.00	1,550.00	1,680.00
Land Value for Pasture	Dollars/Acre	1,310.00	1,350.00	1,670.00	1,800.00

Trends in Farmland Acreage, Use and Value: Louisiana, 1987-2002

Item	Unit	1987 ¹	1992 ¹	1997 ²	2002 ²
Farms	Number	27,350	25,652	30,425	27,413
Land in Farms	Acres	8,007,173	7,837,545	8,367,843	7,830,664
Average Size of Farms	Acres	293	306	275	286
Average Per Farm Value of Land & Buildings	Dollars	268,630	291,332	338,828	444,007
Average Per Acre Value of Land & Buildings	Dollars	940	972	1,236	1,534
Total Cropland	Acres	5,562,736	5,552,733	5,567,627	5,071,537
Harvested Cropland	Acres	3,599,678	3,810,690	4,022,664	3,332,146
Cropland Used for Pasture or Grazing	Acres	828,707	876,372	908,024	841,621
All Other Cropland	Acres	1,134,351	865,671	636,939	897,770
Irrigated Land	Acres	646,677	897,641	960,831	938,841
Farms, Under 10 Acres	Number	2,066	1,934	2,525	2,526
Farms, 10-179 Acres	Number	16,047	14,786	19,018	16,866
Farms, 180-999 Acres	Number	7,413	7,024	6,775	6,030
Farms, 1,000-1,999 Acres	Number	1,279	1,345	1,386	1,253
Farms, 2,000 Acres & Over	Number	545	563	721	738
Farms by Tenure of Operator, Full-Owner	Number	15,770	13,751	17,769	17,184
Farms by Tenure of Operator, Part-Owner	Number	7,894	8,018	8,753	7,358
Farms by Tenure of Operator, Tenants	Number	3,686	3,883	3,903	2,871

¹ From The Census of Agriculture, 1987 and 1992 Department of Commerce, Census Bureau. 1987 and 1992 totals unadjusted for non-coverage and non-response.

² The Census of Agriculture, 1997 and 2002, Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service, totals adjusted for non-coverage and non-response.